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Dear Sir:

This is a petition to withdraw the Notice of Abandonment mailed on June 8, 2006, a copy of which is attached. This notice is believed to have issued in error and applicant requests that the abandonment of this application be withdrawn.

Attached are copies of the following materials in support of our petition:

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Favorable consideration of this petition is respectfully and urgently requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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